



NOAA ^{in the} CAROLINAS

National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration



Updated Website

NOAA in the Carolinas has a new look for our website: www.carolinas.noaa.gov. The site has many new features:

- “In the Spotlight” features a monthly NinC profile – each month one NOAA office or NOAA affiliate will create 3-4 brief articles that provide insight into each organization. The December profile features NOAA’s NWS offices in North Carolina. January will feature NOAA’s Coastal Services Center.
- “Explore NOAA in the Carolinas” uses familiar NOAA icons to link to activities in the region, NOAA offices, and access NinC meeting reports and Steering Committee Notes.
- “NOAA in the Carolinas News” provides a quick way to see what’s newsworthy in our region. If your office or agency has something for this section, please send your news to Jennifer Dorton (dortonj@uncw.edu) for posting.
- The “Features” section provides a quick link to CI-FLOW so that you can stay current with the advances to this project. You can also access past NinC newsletters and sign up for the NinC listserv.
- The “Calendar” at the bottom left corner of the webpage is designed to keep the NinC community connected in regards to meetings and activities in the region. Please forward important meeting dates to Jennifer Dorton (dortonj@uncw.edu) for inclusion on the NinC calendar.
- On the “Participating Locations” link you will find a Google map with all of the NOAA offices and NOAA affiliate offices highlighted.

Once you have taken the opportunity to review the new website, please forward any comments for site updates or corrections to Jennifer.

CI-FLOW Update

Suzanne Van Cooten, National Sea Grant Climate/Weather Extension Specialist at the University of Oklahoma, is assisting with the National Hydrologic Warning Council Meeting which will be held in Vail, CO in May, 2009. If you or someone from your office would like to give a presentation at this meeting, the deadline for abstracts is December 15. Additional information on the abstracts and conference agenda can be found at <http://www.hydrologicwarning.org/>.

NOAA Involvement in Local Festivals

Increasing awareness of NOAA activities is a goal of NinC. In an effort to meet this goal, NOAA personnel staffed booths at NC and SC seafood festivals in October. Pamphlets, brochures and other items were provided to festival attendees so that they could learn more about NOAA and the OneNOAA mission.

- The [NC Seafood Festival](#) was held October 3-5 on the Morehead City, NC waterfront. The National Weather Service office in Newport/Morehead City and the National Marine Fisheries Service lab in Beaufort partnered to host a booth at the festival.
- The [South Carolina Aquarium](#) hosted the fifth annual Sustainable Seafood Festival on Sunday, October 26 at the Charleston Maritime Center. NinC had booth at the event and teams from NOAA NWS-Charleston and the Hollings Marine Lab provided information on NOAA to festival attendees. This is the first time that NinC has participated in this event.

** If you would like to include information on NOAA projects or upcoming events important to the NinC community in future newsletters, please contact Jennifer.